

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2006 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING.

PRESENT: Anthony B. Toran, President, Chas Hunter, Matt Denison, Chief of Police Merl Harl, Traffic Division Supervisor Officer Joe Lewis, Fire Chief Ron Toran, Deputy Fire Chief Stanley Mason, Assistant Street Dept Director Gary Beck, City Clerk Marcey Wisman, Flood Control Director Ron Granger, Building Commissioner Ron Hartman, Controller Kay Garry, and Animal Shelter Director David Hall.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Toran called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #1 - Bill Abel, Grant Line Garden Center, re: festival permit for October 6, 7, & 8, 2006.

Mr. Abel addressed the board and requested approval of a customer appreciation day with live music in there parking lot on October 7 between 11:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

Item #2 - Jodie Beatty, IUS re: request Banner permit October 30th

Ms. Beatty requested a banner permit from October 30th to November 13th for IUS at the Spring Street location.

Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

Item #3 - James Bledsoe, re: Lane closure on State Street

Mr. Bledsoe asked for permission for a partial lane closure on State Street so that he can put up equipment for painting the professional arts building next week on Tuesday. It would not be a total lane closure and he would put out the cones to block the necessary area.

Mr. Hunter asked that either the street commissioner or the traffic officer inspect the area and moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

Item #4 - Jane Alcorn and Brenda Scharlow re: downtown residential parking

Ms. Alcorn presented a Residential Parking Permit plan to the board. She informed the board that Jeffersonville does have a similar plan. She also stated that eventually they are committed to helping the board establish an over-all parking plan for the downtown area.

Mr. Denison stated that he felt that this was a good idea but felt they should have an over-all parking plan for the downtown area rather than just one part of it passed. He said that he is willing to work with them to create a plan.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding how this will help the downtown area and the maximum number of needed spaces and the need for an over-all downtown parking plan.

Mr. Toran voiced his concerns for this plan because there is a larger area involved in the 2 hour

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parking parameter than what they have in their plan. He suggested that they work with Mr. Denison to create an over-all parking plan.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item #1 - Officer Lewis re: letter to Duke Energy regarding street lights on Monty Drive

Officer Lewis reported that he had a letter that needs to be signed approving the installation of the lights on Monty Drive.

The Board signed the letter of approval.

Item #2 - Officer Lewis re: crosswalk for Fire King.

Officer Lewis stated that Scott Wood told him that there needs to be an engineering study before any signs or crosswalks are installed and that this should be done by Fire King.

Officer Lewis and Matt Denison will get with Scott Wood.

Mr. Toran asked about the lights at State and Cottom.

Mr. Hunter stated that he would call the engineer about the study, but he does not believe it should be rushed.

COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:

Mr. Toran asked about the street painting at Rainbow and Lola Dell.

Mr. Beck stated that would be done today.

Chief Harl asked if they had time to review the SOP.

Mr. Toran wanted to look over the Canine SOP regarding public relations which requires the canine to be in a muzzle while doing public demonstrations.

Mr. Denison moved to approve the canine SOP, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Ruth Ann Wolfe-Gonder, spoke of concerns of the deterioration of the houses on Cherry Street especially 305, 212 and 160 Cherry Street.

Mr. Toran asked that Mr. Hartman, Ms. Badger and Mr. Denison look into this area.

BIDS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Hunter moved to approve the August 22 meeting minutes, Mr. Denison, all voted in favor.

Mr. Toran addressed the Residential parking ordinance prepared by Mr. Randy Bulliett. He voiced his concerns; such as enforcement and the cost of signs and painting, regarding residential parking and asked how they wanted to handle this situation.

Mr. Hunter did not believe that it was reasonable to consider at this time.

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Mr. Denison made a motion to hold off on Mr. Bulliet's request at this time, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to go before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Anthony B. Toran, President
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**Marcey Wisman, City Clerk
Civil City of New Albany, Indiana**

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